(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government to provide justice to the blind parents of the deceased child; and

(d) what action Government have taken against the guilty police officials ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Inquest proceedings under section 174 Cr. P. C. have been conducted. The matter is currently under enquiry with the police.

Rape of tribal women in Tripura

939. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the reported gang rape of tribal women in Tripura villages;

(b) whether it is a fact that many girls had committed suicide and many others had become unwed mothers after sexual abuse by organised hoodlums;

(c) whether Government have made any enquiry into the matter;

(d) if so, with what results; and

(e) what action has been taken against guilty persons ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (e) Allegation of gang rape of some tribal women in Swastirapara village under Kanchanpur police station of Tripura in February, 1992 had come to the notice of the Government. The State Government reported that an enquiry had been made into the incident and the allegation could not be substantiated. Sexual harassment and suicide of girl inmates of orphanage in Tripura was also alleged. The State Government have informed that in an orphanage by the name of Dhawajanagar Sishunandan, managed by the local notified area committee and financed by the State Government, an incident of suicide of a girl was reported in 1990. The postmortem report revealed that the girl was pregnant. Apart from this incident, no incident of rape or pregnancy was reported from this instruction. The State Government have taken measures to ensure better protection to girl inmates.

Non-delivery of invitation letter to Shri Swaran Singh on Ayodhya visit

940. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in Punjab Kesri dated the 8th April, 1992 regarding non-delivery of a letter inviting Shri Swaran Singh to head the team which visited Ayodhya recently and if so, who is responsible for this lapse; and

(b) the reasons for which the Home Minister not headed the team to Ayodhya being the head of the National Integration Council Standing Committee ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No formal letter was issued to Sardar Swaran Singh to lead the delegation and therefore the question of non-delivery of the same does not arise.

(b) Due to other pre-occupations.

बेनामी सम्पत्तियों को जब्त करने के लिये विधान

941. डा० एन० तुलसी रेड्डी: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने कि कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार तस्करों, मादक द्रव्यों और अवैध हथियार बेचने वालों तथा उग्रवादियों